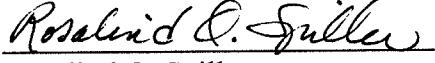


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to an Office Action with a mailing date of January 25, 2008, response to which is due by April 25, 2008 without extension, and which is therefore being timely filed, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.